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1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that

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form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United

States.

2. Claims 15 and 18-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by

Roccaforte et al. (5,141,108). Disclosed is a method of assembling a wound film

dispenser, comprising folding a pre-formed blank into a tube having first and second

open ends (see Figure 2), inserting a roll of wound film into the tube through one of the

two open ends, folding retainer plies (54, 56) into the first and second open ends, the

retainer plies each having first and second retainer flaps (58, 60 or 58, 71) hinged

thereto (as written it not being clear whether the retainer flaps are on different or the

same retainer ply), folding a major flap (72, 74) against each retainer ply, each major

flap having a locking flap (80, 80) hinged thereto, and pushing each locking flap (80)

inward through one of the retainer plies (54, 56), each locking flap (80 and 80)

frictionally engaging the retainer flaps (58, 60 or 58, 71) (see Figure 5) of one of the

retainer plies, the locking flaps and retainer flaps penetrating first and second hollow

ends (see Figure 5) of the roll.

As to claim 18, minor flaps (90, 92 or 36, 38) are folded against the major flaps

(72, 74) after the pushing step.

As to claim 19, the blank is disclosed as die-cut.

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3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

- 4. Claim 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Roccaforte ('108). As to claim 17, the hinging direction of the flaps is not seen to provide any different construction, as the various flaps could depend from any of the four walls and not provide any unobvious structural difference.
- 5. Claim 16 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
- 6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Shown are end-loaded roll cartons.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bryon P. Gehman whose telephone number is (703) 605-1174. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Wednesday from 5:30am to 6:00pm.

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